

## APPEALS TO PEOPLE FOR ACTIVE CO-OPERATION

State Fuel Administrator Praises  
Employers Who Compensate  
Those Out of Work.

### SPECIAL REQUEST AS TO LABOR

Full-Time Organization Must Not  
Seek to Divert Employees of  
Those Lines of Trade Which, Under  
Order, Suspend Work.

Appealing to the people of Virginia for support and co-operation, first in efforts to conserve as much fuel as possible; second, in efforts to discourage the employment in the exempted industries of those idle from suspended operation of others; and, lastly, that employers compensate their employees during the suspended period, Harry Flood Byrd, Federal fuel administrator for Virginia, issued the following last night:

"The people of Virginia, without quibbling or subterfuge, have obeyed the fuel control orders in the letter as well as in the spirit. Every Virginian for the last three days has only been awaiting correct interpretations of the administration's ruling to put into literal execution orders and suggestions. As representative of the Federal fuel administration for the State of Virginia, I desire to express the deep appreciation and gratification of the administration for the support and co-operation which has been so freely accorded. While mandatory orders have not been given to require the closing of places of business, stores and amusements, the administration would be gratified if the next ten Mondays would be observed as national holidays, with general suspension of business. The action of the retail merchants of the city of Richmond in closing on Monday is greatly appreciated. It should be clearly understood that no fuel can be used at places of business or places of amusement, except as specifically authorized, for the next ten Mondays.

### MUST NOT SEEK TO DISORGANIZE LABOR

"In the interest of justice and the prevention of business disorganization, I have another request to make. Certain industries, by reason of their production being essential for the successful prosecution of the war, have been exempted. It has been necessary to suspend other industries for the five days and the nine succeeding Mondays. In many cases the labor of the suspended industries may seek employment with the exempted industries because of interrupted service. It would be disastrous to the industries that have been suspended by the administration's order for the exempted industries to take such employees. I desire to appeal to the managers of those industries in Virginia which have not been interrupted to discourage efforts of employees from leaving the service of the suspended industries for the sole reason of uninterrupted employment. I hope that industries which have had to suspend will compensate their employees for loss of time. I feel certain that the justice of this appeal will be recognized and will be carried out with the same degree of patriotic co-operation which has heretofore been given."

### RETAIL MERCHANTS WILL CLOSE THEIR STORES

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soon as any vital question other than the above is decided.

(Signed) "H. F. BYRD,  
"Federal Fuel Administrator  
"for Virginia."

### BYRD REPLIES TO BOSCHEN'S LETTER

Mr. Byrd replied as follows:  
"The fuel administration has ordered that no heat shall be used on Monday for the next ten Mondays for the conservation of fuel, excepting heat sufficient to prevent freezing of pipes and damage to property.

"The Retail Merchants' Association is advised that it will be gratifying to the national fuel administration to close all stores for Monday, January 21. Later announcements will be made as to the nine succeeding Mondays. It is the desire of the fuel administration to declare the next ten Mondays as national holidays, which the public should observe.

(Signed) "H. F. BYRD,  
"Federal Fuel Administrator  
"for Virginia."

### RULING AS TO SALE OF FOOD IN STORES

Mr. Byrd has stated that the aim of the fuel administration is not to stop business, but to conserve fuel. Restrictions as to food sales come under the jurisdiction of State Administrator E. B. White. The following order relating to this matter has just been issued by Mr. White:

"All dealers in food who have been exempted from complying with the fuel administration to close certain specific days are warned that nothing but food should be sold by them during those days or part of days. All known offenders will be prosecuted."

This order takes precedence over any other ones from the fuel administration and applies to both wholesale and retail dealers.

### THEATERS TO OPEN MONDAY AND CLOSE TUESDAY

Theaters, moving-picture houses, billiard rooms, bowling alleys, private or public dance halls or any other place of amusement will be permitted to have the usual heat and lights on Mondays, but on the next ten Tuesdays they cannot use electric lights or gas lights and can be heated only sufficiently to prevent freezing or damage to property. Orders to this effect were received from Washington late yesterday evening. Managers of these amusement places requested that such a change be made in order that the many people idle on Mondays from the manufacturing and industrial plants may find some recreation.

Another important ruling as to barbers was transmitted to the fuel administrator. They are permitted to obtain heat and power on a Sunday basis. That is to say, that if they do not operate on Sundays they cannot use more fuel on Mondays than on Sundays. Barbers located in hotels and other public places come under the same regulations as barbers maintaining their own shops.

### OFFICES GENERALLY ARE TO BE CLOSED TO-MORROW

An important ruling was also made in regard to fuel distributors. They have been exempted and can maintain heat in their places as usual. With the exception of the above, all offices except those occupied by the United States, State, county, or municipal

## National Capital News Cut Short

Happenings at Washington as  
Reflected in News Dis-  
patches.

WASHINGTON, January 19.—"Which part of your work do you prefer, looking after your constituents, or legislating?" a veteran Congressman was asked.

"I've been here twenty years," he answered, looking over his glasses, "but I can't say which I prefer. Because I've continued, after a moment, I've been so infernal busy with the first I've never had time yet for the second."

These war times, according to talk on Capitol Hill, give the poor legislator less time than ever to devote to lawmaking. Pork barrels and post-offices were had enough, it is said, but war times are 1,000 times worse. Draft exchangers, commission seekers, ambitious contract seekers, and so on, keep the Congressmen running around like so many headless chickens.

Which is why many of them will be glad when this cruel war is over.

The Congressman who said, "If we could just see the quartermaster's corps on Germany we'd lick her in no time, because all the young men in the United States are in it," was not kidding the War Department.

Nine-tenths of all these young men, one army officer declares, not into the quartermaster's corps through Congressmen's intervention.

governments, transportation companies or which are occupied by banks and trust companies or by physicians and dentists can burn only enough fuel to prevent freezing or damage to property.

In each building where elevator service has been maintained, one elevator, and only one, will be permitted to operate on Mondays.

Under the head of fuel that cannot be used except as indicated by the general order is that generated by electricity, gas and oil, in addition, of course, to wood and coal.

Food stores can maintain regular heat until noon on Mondays, when it must be shut off to such an extent as is permitted by the regulations. Stores that sell drugs and medical supplies may maintain the necessary heat throughout the day. Candy and confectionery shops have been ruled as coming under the head of food stores.

### GRATIFIED OVER LIBERAL ACTION OF EMPLOYERS

Gratification has been expressed in a dispatch to Mr. Byrd by Dr. Garfield over the employer-spirited and patriotic action of employers in the State who have determined to pay the wages of their employees during the suspension period specified in the regulations. The Life Insurance Company of Virginia, which has been requested to closing at 1 o'clock on Saturday, has announced that it would continue on these days until 5 and give Monday as a holiday.

Statements with all of the latest rulings of the national fuel administration were prepared and sent out by Administrator Byrd yesterday to the local communities throughout the State. He advised that in case of doubt as to rulings they should immediately wire him.

### MILITARY BALL

Entertainment for Ninth Coast Artillery is given in Blues' Armory.

For the benefit of the Ninth Company, Virginia Coast Artillery, the Godmothers' League conducted a most successful ball in the Blues' Armory last night.

The dancing floor was thronged and along the outer edges, booths, at which candies, drinks and novelties were sold did a big business. The net result will add materially to the fund which is being raised to assist the Ninth Company. Jazz music added greatly to the pleasure of dancing.

Decorations were, of course, patriotic in nature. The ceiling and four walls of the big building were covered with flags and bunting representing every nation of the allies.

Mrs. C. T. W. Kern, central chairman of the league, and Mrs. William A. Cheatwood, chairman of the division on coast artillery, co-operated with large committees who worked splendidly to make the affair the success it proved to be.

### Falls Dead in Street

Coroner Whitfield last night investigated the death of Adolph Nimsberger, who lives at the corner of Second and Marshall Streets. Mr. Nimsberger was passing 408 North Second Street when he fell over into the street. The Coroner was called after the body had been carried into the house and pronounced death due to natural causes.

A passer-by noticed the body about 8:30 o'clock and notified Second Police Station. Mr. Nimsberger was 40 years old.

### Anti-Saloon League Meeting

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., January 19.—National executive officers of the Anti-Saloon League and superintendents of the Southern States will assemble in Birmingham Tuesday to discuss campaign plans for the constitutional prohibition amendment in the South. William J. Bryan will formally open the campaign in Alabama with an address Tuesday night.

## ONLY ONE VIOLATION IS REPORTED TO BYRD

Tobacco Factory Using Exhaust  
Steam Is Ordered to  
Close at Once.

### GIVEN SEVERE REPRIMAND

Will Probably Not Be Prosecuted, as  
It Is Not Believed Violation Was  
Intentional—Blair Sees Little  
Chance of Getting Anthracite.

The only violation of the Garfield regulations that came to the attention of Harry Flood Byrd, Federal fuel administrator for Virginia, yesterday was that of a prominent tobacco manufacturer of the city. He had been using power to operate his factory from a nearby storage plant, thinking that the use of the "exhaust steam" was not prohibited. Since the violation was not meant to be intentional he was dismissed with a severe reprimand and a warning not to repeat. He was ordered to close down and not resume operations until next Wednesday.

The following statement was issued by Mr. Byrd last night regarding the violations:

"The police throughout Virginia have been requested to report violations of these orders and the United States marshals and their deputies have also been requested to assist. While reasonable latitude will be made for misinterpretations, yet the orders must be obeyed! The penalty being \$5,000 fine, or imprisonment, or both."

In a statement made yesterday, Chairman A. Blaine Blair, of the Richmond City fuel administration, emphasized the importance of householders providing themselves adequate protection against the coal situation. He said that advice had been received from Washington stating that the anthracite supply would be limited, if not more, even next winter than it is at present time. Hence he urges the people of the city using kerosene and self-heating systems which are kept up mainly by the anthracite, to adopt some other means of heating their homes, so as to use soft coal or wood.

### LITTLE CHANCE OF GETTING ANTHRACITE

Consignments of coal that have been sent to the local industries and manufacturing plants will not be touched by the fuel commission unless there is need for the same to supply the preferred classes specified in the Garfield orders. When dealers are unable to supply them, the demands will have to be made on the above-mentioned fuel. This is the policy that has been adopted by the local fuel commission, and is expected to be the same throughout the State.

### PRICES ARE FIXED FOR WHOLESALE COAL SALES

According to intelligence just received by Mr. Byrd from Dr. Garfield, beginning to-morrow at 7 o'clock, operators in the Richmond basin of Chesterfield and Henrico Counties may sell coal at the following wholesale prices: Run-of-the-mine, \$3.50 per ton; Prepared sizes, \$3.55 per ton; Slack, \$3.60 per ton. The above prices do not include 45 cents for wage increase under the President's order of October 27. No limitation has been set for operators.

Regarding the exemption of industries engaged in war work, Dr. Garfield's communication to Administrator Byrd follows:

"You are advised that all applications for exemption from regulations of January 17, on account of war munitions or other government work, must first be approved by the Secretary of War or Secretary of the Navy or other member of the Cabinet for whose department work is done. Upon receipt of such approval, this administration will grant exemption. You may rely in each instance on telegram from this administration granting exemption. In case of doubt, communicate with us immediately."

## GERMAN SPIES PLOTTING AGAINST PACIFIC SHIPPING

Authorities Take Quick Action in Combating Discovered Campaign of Destruction.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 19.—With the startling announcement that the German government, acting through its intricate spy system in the United States, had been plotting a terrible campaign of destruction on the Pacific coast, with the special object of blowing up shipyards and ships, confirmation was given here today that German agents in this country have made their headquarters on the Pacific coast.

Interwoven in the gigantic plot against property are the insidious activities of the I. W. W., who, according to all appearances, are working hand in hand with the Germans.

Collector of the Port John O. Davis, following an important conference with naval officials, custom authorities and secret service men, as well as with prominent shipbuilders, did not deny that United States Treasury Agent Tidwell had left for Seattle and Portland to take steps to combat the campaign.

Immediately following the revelations of the plot special guards of United States sailors were ordered on every vessel in foreign service, carrying a Pacific port. Measures to protect coastwise ships will also be taken at once.

An order was issued today forbidding any one from boarding or leaving a vessel without a permit unless identified by the captain. All members of crews have been provided with identification cards.

### 100 SHIPS STILL HELD

Marked Progress Made in Norfolk  
Hauling, but 127 Vessels  
Yet Await Coal.

(By Associated Press.)

NORFOLK, VA., January 19.—Although marked progress was made last night and today in hauling, the local shipping records show 127 vessels still awaiting service at the local coal pier. All 127 vessels are now ready to get away as soon as bunkered. Officials are confident that a few more days will see a general improvement in the situation, if not normal conditions. All piers are now receiving and dumping coal up to capacity.

### David Lamm Released

NEW YORK, January 19.—David Lamm, known as "The Wolf of Wall Street," was released today in \$50,000 bail by United States Commissioner Hittcock, pending the hearing of his appeal from his last conviction by the United States Circuit Court of Appeals.

### Thrift Week in Danville

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
DANVILLE, VA., January 19.—Next week will be known here as thrift week. A committee of women from various local organizations have decided on a personal house-to-house canvass, during which an effort will be made to put a thrift card in every home.

### Publishers to Meet

CHICAGO, January 19.—A special open meeting of newspaper publishers has been called for January 23 in Chicago by the American Newspaper Publishers' Association to discuss printer-publisher questions.

### Judge Semmes Dead

MONTGOMERY, ALA., January 19.—Judge Oliver J. Semmes, forty years judge of the City Court of Mobile, died today after a year's illness from throat trouble. He retired a year ago. Judge Semmes was the son of Rear-Admiral Raphael Semmes, a Confederate naval commander, and was born at Norfolk, Va., in 1828.

### Intern Thirty-Six Germans

NEW YORK, January 19.—Thirty-six Germans, regarded by the Federal authorities to be among the most dangerous enemy aliens in the country, were taken from New York today to Fort Goetharpe, Ga., for internment for the duration of the war.

## MAJOR BENJ. HARRISON DEAD

Well-Known Petersburg Man and  
Former Hopewell Mayor Dies  
at Asheville.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

PETERSBURG, VA., January 19.—Major Benjamin Harrison, aged forty-one years, died at Asheville, N. C., this evening. Major Harrison was taken to Asheville about three months ago, suffering with fever contracted while in the service on the border.

Major Harrison's military service commenced with the Petersburg Greys, of this city, he rising to captain of that company and later being elected as major of the Seventy-second Virginia Infantry. Major Harrison was the first mayor of Hopewell, resigning that position to go with the Virginia militia to the Mexican border. He was also the head of the Harrison Construction Company, of this city.

He is survived by his mother, two sisters, Mrs. T. J. Gills and Mary Gray Harrison, and one brother, J. Nat Harrison, all of Petersburg.

## MISS MARGARET E. GRAHAM WEDS E. LAWRENCE TOWNSEND

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

DANVILLE, VA., January 19.—News was received in this city to-night of the marriage of Miss Margaret E. Graham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Graham, of this city, to E. Lawrence Townsend, of New York City, at Washington to-day.

Mrs. Townsend is widely known throughout Virginia and Washington social circles for her charming beauty.



## Store Will Remain Closed To-Morrow

In compliance with the existing national movement to conserve the nation's fuel supply, and insofar as the same affects the field of mercantile endeavor, we are pleased gladly to co-operate with the plan, feeling it a patriotic duty to meet every demand essential to the success of our country's interest and welfare. This store, therefore, will remain closed all day to-morrow.

## Important News for Tuesday's Selling

Very special sales have been arranged for Tuesday throughout the store. Make a note of this fact



## January Clearance Sale

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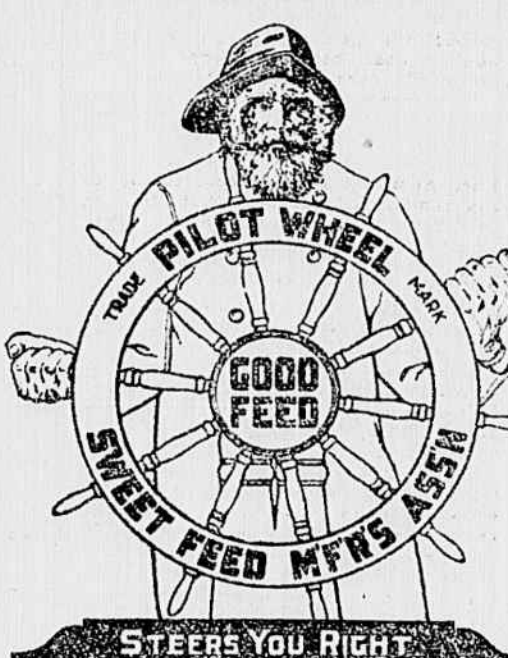
## Closed All Day To-Morrow

On Tuesday our Suit and Overcoat Sale, at reduced prices, will continue.

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